Corporal Gatlin graduated from Lexington High School in Lexington, Tennessee. Following high school, Cpl. Gatlin continued his education at West Tennessee Business College in Jackson, Tennessee, and Tarrant County College in Fort Worth in pursuit of a degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Business. His post-secondary education included over 280 academic hours and over 1630 training hours. Cpl. Gatlin has received training in: Background Investigations, Crisis Intervention, Terrorism and Homeland Security, Narcotics Investigations, Family Violence and Child Abuse, Management and Supervision, and SWAT/Tactical Training. He holds the following licenses: Master Peace Officer, Mental Health Officer, School Resource Officer, and Basic Instructor. For the past several years, he has been working at Central Junior High in Euless as the School Resource Officer.

Cpl. Gatlin's career as a police officer began with the Jackson, Tennessee, Police Department in 1975 where he served until 1976. From 1976–1980, he worked in Communications for the Tennessee Highway Patrol. In September, 1980, Cpl. Gatlin moved to Texas where he joined the Euless Police Department and served until November 1982. After a brief absence, he returned to the Euless Police Department in September 1984. While with the Euless Police Department, he has held the positions of Police Officer, Field Training Officer, Acting Sergeant, and Corporal.

Cpl. Gatlin is a member of the Euless Peace Officer Association. He was awarded the 1987 Euless Police Officer of the Year. In his spare time, he enjoys golf, baseball, traveling, and woodworking.

I am very proud of the Euless Police Department, and I am honored to recognize Corporal Roger Gatlin for his contribution to the community. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in thanking Roger Gatlin for his service as a police officer.

WILKERSON CHAPEL 150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute the 150th anniversary of an important community institution in Collinsville. Illinois.

In 1862, the Wilkerson Chapel was founded in Collinsville, and for 150 years it has served the people of Collinsville; along the way becoming the oldest and only African Methodist Episcopal Church in Collinsville. The church was originally located at the corner of South and Clinton Streets, on a piece of land donated by Mrs. Josiah Peers. In 1922, Wilkerson Chapel moved to its present location at 317 Summit Avenue.

The original land for the AME church was donated by a white woman in town, Mrs. Josiah Peers, and when the second location was built, the white churches in town donated such items as communion robes, a piano, and even the church bell. Marian Hoskin, an 81-year-old church member, talked about the harmony between the races which has always been an important part of Wilkerson Chapel's history,

saying that, "they always talk about this diversity situation here. And there was always prejudice on both sides of the fence. But we got along here. We have always worked together in this town."

Today, Reverend Carl F. Berry is the current pastor, and under his leadership, Wilkerson Chapel continues its efforts to improve the lives of the citizens of Collinsville. The church continues its outreach efforts, which include open houses and cookouts, but also performances by Just Us and The Rest, the church choir, and work with the Collinsville Area Ministerial Alliance food pantry.

Before the church's 150th anniversary banquet, Rev. Berry told the local paper, "The community is there for the church and the church is very much there for the community. This is truly about us sharing ourselves. The doors to the church are always open for service to the community."

I am proud to salute the 150 years of service by the parishioners of the Wilkerson Chapel, as well as the example they have set for our community. I am honored to represent such great people and such a great community like Collinsville.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOP-MENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 31, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5325) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Chair, I strongly support two important provisions in this bill, included at my request, which provide necessary direction to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This bill withholds Additional Funding for Ongoing Work until the Corps provides this Committee with an acceptable explanation of their allocation decisions. The accompanying report from the Committee also recommends various national domestic priorities for additional funds, including harbors that support domestic manufacturing. This language will greatly enhance the Corps' ability to ensure that our maritime infrastructure meets the changing needs of our nation.

The Fiscal Year 2013 Energy and Water Appropriations bill provides \$325 million in additional funding for the Corps to address priority projects throughout the country. When given a similar allocation last year, the Corps disregarded this Committee's directive to establish a rating system of projects to be funded and explain why each project was given priority.

This is unacceptable. I share the concern of the Chairman and many of my colleagues that the Corps must be accountable for their distribution of these extra funds.

Given significant backlogs in many of our nation's ports, these additional funds provide an opportunity for improved maintenance of our water borne infrastructure, which is so cru-

cial for growing our economy and creating iobs.

But it would be irresponsible to provide these dollars without exercising proper oversight to ensure that these funds are spent responsibly.

The Committee report already included direction to the Corps to report to the Committee their decisions regarding the use of these funds, but given the previous disregard for this directive last year, it became necessary to include this directive in the bill itself and establish consequences for the Corps, should it fail to meet this obligation.

Additionally, the report accompanying this bill recommends several priorities for the rating system to be created by the Corps. In particular, I strongly support the inclusion of domestic manufacturing as a component of the economic assessment for determining funding.

The significant backlogs of Corps maintenance activity across the country, especially in the Great Lakes region, greatly reduce the competitiveness of American manufacturing.

In the Great Lakes region, which has long been the heart of manufacturing in the U.S., heavy manufacturers are severely affected by light loading restrictions in our harbors. Bulk commodity shipments, which are essential to heavy manufacturing, are being transported inefficiently, preventing domestic manufacturers in the region from competing with foreign manufacturers.

The directive language in the report establishes this necessary manufacturing-oriented priority in determining which projects are to be funded by the additional funds provided in the bill.

The Corps' work is critical for maintaining critical U.S. maritime infrastructure. The language in this bill and the accompanying support will ensure that this work meets the needs of our nation.

I appreciate the willingness of the Chairmen and the Ranking Members of both the full Appropriations Committee and the Energy and Water Subcommittee to work with me to include this language. In response to the Army Corps' disregard for Congressional directives during fiscal year 2012, language in this bill demand proper compliance to the Constitutional authority of Congress.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN KARL VAN DEUSEN'S 27 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Captain Karl Van Deusen, United States Navy for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to the United States of America. Captain Karl Van Deusen will retire as the Director of Naval Congressional Liaison for Appropriations Matters. His service spans over twenty-seven years of active military duty to the United States Navy and the Department of Defense.

Born in Hartford, Connecticut and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida, Captain Karl Van Deusen received his commission in 1985 through the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps program at Marquette University, where